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SUBJ: PRESS GUIDANCE ON TWO TIER PRICE FOR CANADIAN CRUDE
OIL

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED FOR USE IN
RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS ABOUT ACTION OF NATIONAL ENERGY
BOARD IN DENYING OCTOBER APPLICATIONS FOR CRUDE OIL EXPORTS
ON GROUND PRICES WERE TOO LOW. GUIDANCE WAS USED BY PRESS
DIVISION IN RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES MAINLY FROM CANADIAN
CORRESPONDENTS AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 14.

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2. BEGIN TEXT. QUESTION: DO YOU HAVE ANY REACTION TO THE

CANADIAN ENERGY BOARD DENIAL OF EXPORT APPLICATIONS FOR OIL
TO THE U.S. ON GROUNDS THAT THE PRICES ARE TOO LOW?

3. SUGGESTED RESPONSE: WE HAVE, OF COURSE, BEEN AWARE OF
CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION
OF AN EXPORT TAX ON OIL OR ALTERNATIVELY TO ESTABLISH AN
EXPORT MARKETING BOARD. WE HAD ASSUMED THAT SUCH PROPOSALS
WOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS NOT ONLY IN CANADA
AS HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED BUT ALSO WITH CANADA'S EXPORT
CUSTOMERS- THE ACTION ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT TO DENY EXPORT
APPLICATIONS FOR OCTOBER SHIPMENTS ON GROUNDS THAT PRICES
WERE TOO LOW, THEREFORE COMES AS A SURPRISE AND MOST
CERTAINLY IS NOT WELCOME INFORMATION. BEYOND THIS WE WILL
HAVE NOTHING TO SAY PENDING FURTHER STUDY. END TEXT. RUSH

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